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1. LAST WEEK THE DANISH WRITERS ASSOCIATION AND THE SWEDISH WRITERS' ASSOCIATION ISSUED A JOINT STATEMENT PROTESTING CZECHOSLAVAK GOVT TREATMENT OF SIGNERS OF CHARTER 77 AND, YESTERDAY (JAN 30), A NUMBER OF LEADING SOCIAL DEMOCRATIC DANES WITHIN THE FIELDS OF ART, JOURNALISM AND POLITICS PUBLISHED A SIMILAR PROTEST.

2. IN BOTH CASES, REFERENCE WAS MADE TO THE HELSINKI FINAL ACT "TO WHICH CZECHOSLOVAKIA IS ALSO A SIGNATORY" AND WARNING THE CZECH GOVT AGAINST COMMITTING INJUSTICES AGAINST CRITICAL CITIZENS.

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3. HOWEVER, THE PROTEST BY THE DANISH SOCIAL DEMOCRATS FURTHER STATED THAT "WE ARE AWARE THAT ARTISTS ARE ALSO BEING PERSECUTED IN CAPITALIST COUNTRIES. WE REJECT THIS REPRESSION AS WELL. WE FIND IT, HOWEVER, PARTICULARLY DISGUSTING THAT THE CZECH PERSECUTION IS DONE IN THE NAME OF SOCIALISM". THE PROTEST WAS SIGNED, INTER ALIA,

BY KJELD OLESEN, POLITICAL SPOKESMAN FOR THE
SOCIAL DEMOCRATIC PARLIAMENTARY GROUP, AND
EINER HOVGAARD CHRISTIANSEN, THE PARTY'S
NATIONAL SECRETARY.
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